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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated February 11, 2008, and related to the above-identified patent application, the Examiner considered all of claims 1 - 43 to be subject to restriction and election.

In response, the Applicants elect species (a) to which the claims should be restricted, if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. The Applicants understand that species (a) consist of FIGS. 1 - 7.

Further, the Applicants identify the following claims as being readable on the elected species: 1, 14, 15, 21, 22, 24, 25, 33, 37, and 38.

Should any questions arise in connection with the above, please contact Thomas L. Lockhart at the telephone number of (616) 336-6000.

Respectfully submitted,

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